

Office Memorandum

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To: Agency Payroll, HR and Accounting Staff

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Statewide Payroll Services

Subject: FICA/Medicare Rates for 2015 and Supplemental Tax Rates

FICA/Medicare Rates

The amounts below indicate the maximum earnings subject to FICA/Medicare tax and the tax rates for the years 2014 and 2015.

FICA/Medicare Rate	Calendar Year 2014	Calendar Year 2015
Maximum annual earnings subject to FICA	\$117,000	\$118,500
Maximum annual earnings subject to Medicare	Unlimited	Unlimited
FICA rate (employee only)	6.2%	6.2%
FICA rate (employer only)	6.2%	6.2%
Medicare rate (employee only):		
Employee Contribution Rate on all earnings	1.45%	1.45%
subject to Medicare		
Additional Employee Contribution Rate when	0.9%	0.9%
annual earnings subject to Medicare is		
\$200,000 and above		
Medicare rate (employer only)	1.45%	1.45%
Maximum annual Medicare tax (employee and employer)	Unlimited	Unlimited

Employees who reached the yearly FICA maximum tax for 2014 will see a change in their net pay beginning with the first check in calendar year 2015 on 1/9/2015.

Supplemental Tax Rates

The federal supplemental rate remains unchanged at 25%. The Minnesota supplemental tax rate will remain unchanged at 6.25%.

Agency Payroll, HR and Accounting staff should contact Jennifer Goossen at 651.201.8072 or jennifer.goossen@state.mn.us if there are questions.

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